REMARKS

Claims 14-27 remain pending in the application.

Claim 27 was amended in order to correct a typographical error. Claim 27 has been corrected and now shows it to be dependent upon claim 14, in lieu of claim 1.

The application in its amended state is believed to be in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner have any comments or suggestions, or wish to discuss the merits of the application, the undersigned would very much welcome a telephone call in order to expedite placement of the application into condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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